

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of		)
	Harald Schmidt	)
Serial No.:	10/533,996	) Art Unit
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For:	FILTER ELEMENT	)
Examiner:	Daniel Heon Lee	)
Customer No.:	022913	)

**AMENDMENT "B" AND RESPONSE**

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 2, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.